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In re application of

Kersti STRANDQVIST

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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November 21, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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